## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

BASIL BROOKS, :

Petitioner,

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v. :

ROBERT GILMORE, : CIVIL ACTION
Superintendent, SCI-Greene, and : No. 15-5659

PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF :

CORRECTIONS,

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**Respondents.** :

MCHUGH, J. AUGUST 11, 2017

## **ORDER**

This 11th day of August, 2017, upon careful and independent consideration of the Petition for a Writ of Habeas Corpus filed pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2254, and after review of the Report and Recommendation of the Magistrate Judge, it is hereby **ORDERED** that:

- 1. The Report and Recommendation is **ADOPTED** as to all claims except the claim of ineffectiveness for failure to object to the trial court's reasonable doubt instruction.
- The Petition for Writ of Habeas Corpus is **GRANTED** as to the reasonable doubt claim.
   Petitioner must be retried within 180 days or released.
- 3. Petitioner's remaining claims are **DENIED**.
- 4. A certificate of appealability is **DENIED** on Petitioner's remaining claims.

/s/ Gerald Austin McHugh United States District Judge